

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 1-18 stand rejected. Claims 1, 3, 5, 7, 14, and 17 have been amended. New claims 19-30 have been added. Therefore, claims 1-30 are pending in this application. Applicants have thoroughly reviewed the Office Action and the references cited therein. The following remarks are believed to be fully responsive to the Office Action. All the claims are believed to be patentable over the cited references.

CLAIM OBJECTIONS

Claims 8-10 have been objected to as being substantial duplicates of claims 3, 5, and 7. Applicants have amended claims 8-10 and believe that the objection has been overcome. Therefore, Applicants respectfully submit that the rejection be withdrawn.

CLAIM REJECTIONS – 35 U.S.C. § 101

Claim 1-18 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. 101 as allegedly being directed to non-statutory subject matter. Applicants respectfully traverse. Each of independent claims 1, 14, and 17 recite at least a data repository component and an application server component. As one of ordinary skill in the art is aware, a data repository requires a tangible medium on which to store the data and a server is a tangible device that processes data. Therefore, Applicants respectfully submit that claims 1-18 are directed to statutory subject matter and request that the rejection be withdrawn.

CLAIM REJECTIONS – 35 U.S.C. § 102(e)

Claims 1-18 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as allegedly being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 6,434,568 to Bowman-Amuah (“Bowman-Amuah”). Applicants respectfully traverse. In an effort to advance prosecution, however, Applicants have amended independent claims 1 and 14 to recite “wherein the media manager component integrates at least one document into the documentation system and modifies metadata associated with the at least one document.” Bowman-Amuah does not disclose such a feature. Bowman-Amuah does not teach or suggest integrating a document into a documentation system and modifying metadata associated with that document. Nowhere does Bowman-Amuah discuss modifying metadata associated with an integrated document as claimed by Applicants. Therefore, Applicants respectfully submit that independent claims 1 and 14 are allowable.

Regarding claim 17, Applicants have amended independent claim 17 to recite that the data repository adapter “stores the documents using extensible markup language.” Bowman-Amuah does not disclose this feature. In fact, Bowman-Amuah states at column 57, lines 15-16 that “contents are stored in the database’s BLOB (Binary Large Objects) data type.” Therefore, Bowman-Amuah stores content as BLOBs and not using extensible markup language as claimed by Applicants. Thus, independent claim 17 is also allowable.

Claims 2-13, 15-16, and 18 depend from at least one of independent claims 1, 14, and 17. Therefore, these claims are also allowable for at least the foregoing reasons.

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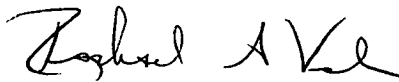
CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. If it is believed that the application is not in condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned attorney to expedite the prosecution of the application.

In the event this paper is not timely filed, Applicants petition for an appropriate extension of time. Please charge any fee deficiencies or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 50-2036 with reference to Attorney Docket No. 87400.1542.

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